

### REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully solicited in view of the February 5, 2008 Amendment and the following remarks.

#### *Status of the Claims*

Claims 1, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 19 and 20 have been amended, with Claims 1, 11, and 20 being independent. Claims 4, 8, 14, and 18 have been canceled without prejudice. Accordingly, Claims 1-3, 5-7, 9-13, 15-17, 19, and 20 are pending.

#### *Telephone Interview Summary*

On April 30, 2008, the Examiner conducted a telephone interview with the undersigned. The Examiner indicated that the application would be in allowable form if Claims 1, 6, 7, 9-11, 16, 17, 19 and 20 were amended as has been done in this Supplemental Amendment. Accordingly, since these claims have been amended as suggested by the Examiner, Applicant submits that the case is now in allowable form. Therefore, early passage to issue is respectfully solicited.

Any fee required in connection with this paper should be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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